CROXDEN (....-1913)
CROXDEN-CUM-HOLLINGTON (1913-1994)

Croxden [Totmonslow] *(St Giles)* was an independent parochial curacy in unknown patronage. ***Thomas Hinckley c1628-1694*** was licensed parochial curate here before 1 Sep 1662. The parish of three townships - Croxden, Greatgate and Musden - was a compound parochial constablewick {Greatgate & Musden *incl.* Croxden} .

Croxden [Totmonslow]
(C) The parish was composed of part of one constablewick.
NOTE: There is no separate entry for Croxden

Greatgate & Musden (integral parts)

Thomas Jolley	}	
& Thomas Wood of Croxden	}	6

Thomas Hinkley minister [Curate of Croxden ....-1694]

Croxden [Totmonslow] MANOR 17.18 (1086); INDEPENDENT PAROCHIAL CHAPELRY [♦IPC] ; St Lawrence; PRGR 1673+ (Pevsner described a church dedicated to St Giles and rebuilt 1884-5)
Districts: Greatgate (aka Great Yate)
Outliers: Musden

Townships: Croxden, Greatgate and Musden

(1848) CROXDEN (St. Giles), a parish, in the union of Uttoxeter, S. division of the hundred of Totmonslow, N. division of the county of Stafford, 4 miles (E. S. E.) from Cheadle; containing, with part of Calton chapelry, 293 inhabitants. It comprises by admeasurement 2588 acres, of which 1638 are grass land, 480 arable, 270 wood and plantations, and 200 common; and has a number of scattered farmhouses and cottages. The village lies in a narrow but fertile vale, watered by the Peake rivulet. The living is a perpetual curacy; net income, £92; patron, the Earl of Macclesfield. The church is a small decayed building, with a wooden belfry. Bertram de Verdun, in 1176, gave the monks of Aulney, in Normandy, a piece of land at Chotes or Chotene (probably Cotton) to build a Cistercian abbey, which three years afterwards was removed to Croxden, where he and his family were buried. It was dedicated to the Blessed Virgin, and at the general dissolution had an abbot and twelve religious, whose revenue was valued at £103. 6. 7. The remains of this once stately and sumptuous edifice exhibit good specimens of the early English style. [A Topographical Dictionary of England (1848)]

(1851) Croxden parish Church, St Giles, is a small decayed building, with a wooden belfrey. The living is a perpetual curacy, in the patronage of the Earl of Macclesfield, lord of the manor, and incumbency of the Rev William Higton, of Tean. [WHITE (1851)]

(1970) The abbey gatehouse, also built by Abbot London, lay to the north-west of the church, and there was a chapel to the east of the gatehouse. The chapel a mid-13th-century building, about 50

ft. long, survived as Croxden parish church until 1886, when it was replaced by the present church on s site a little further north. [VCH III 230]

Parish History

By 1253 the parish (institutional parochial chapelry) of **CROXDEN** was formed from part of -----. ?????

In 1913 **CROXDEN** was joined by **HOLLINGTON** to become **CROXDEN-CUM-HOLLINGTON**.

In Jul 1994 **ROCESTER** was joined by **CROXDEN-CUM-HOLLINGTON** to become **ROCESTER AND CROXDEN-CUM-HOLLINGTON.**

Description of Church (St Giles)

The original church is said to have been dedicated in 1253. [HUTCHINSON (1893) 65].

A new church, in -----., was built in 1884-5 (largely at the expense of the Earl of Macclesfield) to designs by ARCHITECT and consecrated in DATE.

Missions

Type of incumbent

Parochial Curate	....-1644
Minister (of Presbytery) (Feb 1644-29 May 1660)	1644-1660
Parochial Curate	1660-1868
Vicar	1868-....

Patrons

Croxden Abbey	1253-1538

Parish Registers

The parish register of the parish church of St Giles commences in 1673. The original registers for the period 1673-1812 (Bapts & Bur) & 1673-1837 (Mar) are deposited at Staffordshire Record Office. Baptism & Burial registers from 1812-date remain with the incumbent. Bishops Transcripts, 1674-1867 (with gaps 1706-07, 1766-70, 1861 & 1865) are deposited at Lichfield Record Office. A transcript of the parish registers for the period 1674-1812 was published by the Staffordshire Parish Register Society in 1912 and has been reprinted by the Birmingham & Midland SGH (with Bradley-in-the-Moors). [GENUKI]

Bells

(1) WR MR RO 1588

Special References

[HUTCHINSON (1893) 65]

Principal Clergy

►Roger Brooke e1544-.... **1584**
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs)
- (in office) 22 Jan 1584

----- ----- **1593**
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs)
- (not named, did not appear for examination) 1593

►William Allen e1562-.... **1616**
(Reader, Croxden, Staffs)
- (as ?Curate, in office) 1602 [1915]
- (in office) 22 Jul 1605
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs)
- (in office) 26 Aug 1616
(Stipendiary Curate, Ashley, Staffs)
- (in office) 28 Aug 1616

Anthony Gretton (parochial curate of Longnor) e1609-1661
Gretton, born perhaps about 1609, is of unknown parentage. He was probably only educated to literate grade. On 18 Dec 1630 and then in office as parochial curate of Croxden he was ordained deacon by Lichfield at Eccleshall.
On 22 Dec 1633 he was ordained priest by Lichfield. By 1639 he was in office as parochial curate of Longnor. From 5 Feb 1643.4 he continued here as *compliant* minister. On 12 Aug 1644 the *Staffordshire Parliamentary Committee* ordered that "the Solicitors for Sequestration shall pay the petitioner [Gretton] his wages of £5 per annum since the time they entred upon Sir John Harpurs estate there and tooke the proffits thereof". About 1650 Gretton was appointed *compliant* minister of Boylestone rectory, Derbys. In Jun 1660 he continued in office as *de facto* rector. Still in office he died, aged about 52, in Feb 1660.1. His will made on 9 Feb 1660.1 was proved under Lichfield on 12 Apr 1661. His personalty was valued at £91/12/4 and included "His Library £3". Gretton married about 1650 to Dorothy (d 1684) by whom he had 1 son and 3 daughters. George Gretton (vicar of Marston-upon-Dove, Derbys) c1658-1750 was his only son.

Anthony Gretton (parochial curate of Longnor) e1609-1661
b c1609 *of unknown parentage*
m [X FMP] e1650 Dorothy -----; m2 1 Aug 1663 Boylestone: Clemens Chaloner of Boylestone, Derbys yeoman
....-1669; (? but had no chn); Will (Lichfield) 21 Jul 1684/16 Oct 1684
d Feb 1660.1; i [X FMP]; Will *of Boylestone, Derbys clerk* (Lichfield) 9 Feb 1660.1/12 Apr 1661

(? a literate) [X FOSTER/VENN]
(parochial curate, Croxden, Staffs) a1630-?1639
- ("currently curate of Croxden", ordained deacon by Lichfield at Eccleshall) 18 Dec 1630 [CCEd]
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 22 Dec 1633
(parochial curate, Longnor, Staffs)
- (as "Curate", in office) 1639
From 5 Feb 1643.4 he {may have} continued here as *compliant* minister
(*compliant* minister, Boylestone rectory, Derbys) c1650-d
- (Thomas Hathern, rector of Boylestone, moved to Hathern, Leics about Dec 1648) [INTERNET]
- (in office) 1650 [COX III p19]

chn: Dorothy Gretton b c1652; [? d *young*]
Hannah Gretton b c1654; m 9 Oct 1675 Boylestone: John Maddock
Sarah Gretton b c1658; m aged c25 (by Lichfield marriage licence, 12 May 1684) John Challenor of Church
Broughton, Derbys yeoman
George Gretton b c1658 Boylestone; d 1750; (educated at Ashby); (as son of Anthony, deceased, of Boylestone,
Derbys, admitted sizar at St John's, Cambridge) 21 Jan 1674.5; (matriculated) 1675; (B.A.) 1678.9; (M.A.)

1682; (ordained priest by York) Sep 1681; (Rector, Seale, Leics) 1693-1705; (Rector, Stretton-en-le-Field,
Derbys) 1705-50; (Vicar, Marston-on-Dove) "64 years"

(12 Aug 1644) Gretton. In answere to the petition of Anthony Gretton of Longnor Clarke. It is thought fitt and ordered that the Solicitors for Sequestration shall pay the petitioner his wages of £5 per annum since the time they entred upon Sir John Harpurs estate there and tooke the proffits thereof. [SHC 1957 p163, *Staffordshire Parliamentary Committee* order book]
(Longnor) In 1644 the parliamentary committee at Stafford awarded Anthony Gretton of Longnor, evidently the curate, a salary of £5 from the estate of Sir John Harpur, and the income survived the Restoration. [VCH]
(9 Feb 1660.1) Anthony Gretton of Boylston ... Derbys Clerke ... wife Dorothy ... foure children Dorothy Hannah Sarah and George ... Inventory 28 Feb 1660.1 "His Library £3" £91/12/4
(13 Sep 1669) Clemens Chaloner of Boylstone Derby yeoman ... whole estate to wife Dorothy for her life ... [then to] George Gretton the onnly son of the said Dorothy ... Inventory (9 Oct 1669) £68/13/4 ... Will (Lichfield) 13 Sep 1669/31 Jan 1669.70
(12 May 1684) Lichfield marriage licence ... Johanna Challoner de Church Broughton [Derbys] yeoman aged c24 and Sara Gratton de Boylston aged c25 for Church Boughton or Boylston
(21 Jul 1684) Dorothy Chaloner of Boylston widow ... daughter Hannah Maddock (wife of John Maddock) ... daughter Sarah Chaloner (wife of John Chalenor) [both daughters of Anthony Gretton] ... son George Gretton [executor] ... Inventory 2 Aug 1684 £167/17/8

George Gretton of Bradbourne, Derbys
m 3 Feb 1611.2 Church Broughton, Derbys: Alice Archer

(3 Feb 1611.2, Church Broughton) George Gretton of Bradborne & Alles Archer

---

Thomas Hinckley
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 1639
- (in office) 1639 [CCEd] [source needs confirmation] [could be father of next ?]

***Thomas Hinckley (parochial curate of [? Bradley-in-the Moors &] Croxden) c1628-1694**
Hinckley, born perhaps about 1628, is of unknown parentage. He was probably only educated to literate grade. He was presumably anglicanly ordained deacon before 1 Sep 1662 when he was in office as parochial curate of Croxden. In 1665 he certified the hearth tax for Greatgate & Musden constablewick (which included Croxden township) but was not assessed there or at Bradley-in-the-Moors. On 1 Aug 1665 he was "noted as excommunicated" and on 4 Aug "was noted as having been deprived of the benefice of Croxden on account of various clandestine [lost]".
On 23 Nov 1676 he was in office at Croxden and also, *jointly*, at Bradley-in-the-Moors (which he might have served from 1662). Perhaps still in both offices he died, aged about 66, and was buried on 23 Apr 1694 (perhaps as requested in the chancel) at Croxden. His will made on 25 Feb 1689.90 was proved under Lichfield on 4 May 1694. His personalty was valued at £77/6/4 and included "his books £4". Hinckley married about 1657 to a woman by whom he had 3 sons and 2 daughters. He may have married second to Margaret by whom he had 1 daughter.

►Thomas Hinckley (Parochial Curate of Bradley-in-the Moors & Croxden, Staffs) c1628-1694
b e1628 *of unknown parentage*
[? m1 e1657 ----- -----]
m2 e1672 Margaret -----
i 23 Apr 1694 Croxden; Will (Lichfield Consistory Court) 25 Feb 1689.90/4 May 1694
(?literate) [X FOSTER/VENN]
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs)
- (as Mr., in office) 1 Sep 1662
- (as "Thomas Hinkeley, Minister" certified the hearth tax at Greatgate & Musden (which included Croxden) constablewick but not assessed there) 1665 [1666 HT]
- ("Thomas Hinckley was noted as excommunicated") 1 Aug 1665 [LRO, B/V/1/67 (Liber Cleri)]

- ("Thomas Hinckley was noted as having been deprived of the benefice of Croxden on account of various clandestine (illegible)") 4 Aug 1665 LRO, B/V/1/67 (Liber Cleri)]
- (in office) 23 Nov 1676
(Parochial Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs)
- (perhaps in office) 1662
- (in office) 23 Nov 1676 [CCEd States "Bradley near Stafford" ???]
chn: Thomas Hinckley b c1658
-dau- Hinckley b c1660; m George ?Blinsom [NOTE: George Blinkearn i 4 Feb 1717.8 Cheadle]
Richard Hinckley b c1662
Humphrey Hinckley b c1664
Hannah Hinckley b c1666; m (by Lichfield Licence, 11 Oct 1687) Adam Fowell of Cheadle mason: He Adm
(Lichfield) 1698
Ann Hinckley c *dau of Thomas and Margrett* 6 Sep 1673 Croxden

(25 Feb 1689.90) Thomas Hinckley of Pynthorn [Pointhorne], Croxden curate ... to be decently buried in the chancell of Croxden ... wife Margaret ... dau Ann Hinkley ... son Thomas 1/0 ... son in law George ?Blinsom 1/0 ... son Richard 1/0 .. son Humphrey 1/0 ... son in law Adam Fowell 1/0 ... Inventory 26 Apr 1694 ... his books £4 ... £77/6/4 [The children, other than Ann, appear to be "cut off with 1/0" raising the possibility that she was the child of a second wife]
(23 Nov 1693, Croxden Glebe Terrier) Thomas Hinckley C; George Poyser chw. The minister has only £12 pa paid by Hon. Gervase Pierpont esq. [SHC 2009 I p181]
(23 Nov 1693, Bradley-in-the-Moors Glebe Terrier) William Johnson chw. Income: land worth about £3/6/8 pa and tithe belongs to William Hulme, parson of Bradley, who gives Thomas Hinckley £3/6/8 to supply the cure. [SHC 2009 I p106]
[William Hulme "parson" was probably "patron" and the man who was assessed for 2 hearths here in 1665]

Thomas Hinckley
m *of Armitage* 17 Mar 1666.7 Colwich: Margaret Hitchins
(3 hearths, Armitage) 1665 [1666 HT]

►Elias Poynton c1656-1699 **?1694-?1699**
b c1656 Little Hucklow, Derbys *son of Edward Poynton*
d 20 Apr 1699; M.I. (Rocester)
(educated at Dronfield under Mr Mason)
(aged 18, admitted sizar at Christ's, Cambridge) 1 Jun 1674 [VENN]
(matriculated) 1674
(B.A.) 1677

(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 21 OR 22 Sep 1677
(Vicar, Rocester, Staffs) 6 Oct 1677-a5 Jul 1698
- (instituted) 6 Oct 1677 [1915]
- (resigned) a5 Jul 1698 [CCEd]
(Schoolmaster, Rocester, Staffs)
- (appointed) 16 Jan 1678
(ordained priest by York) Sep 1681
(Vicar, Alton, Staffs) 2 Jan 1692.3-a12 Jun 1693
- (presented by George Rodney Bridges of Avington, Hants Esquire p1649-1714 *pro* his wife Anna Maria 2nd dau of Robert Brudenell 2nd Earl of Cardigan 1607-1703 widow of Francis Talbot 11th Earl of Shrewsbury c1624-1668)
- (commission to institute) 2 Jan 1692.3
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs) ?1694-?d
- (in office) 1694[sic] [1915]
- (licensed) 5 Jul 1698[sic] [CCEd]

?1699-1705

►John Milward c1670-1727 **1705-1727**
b c1670 Acton, Derbys *son of John Milward gentleman*
m Mary -----
d a16 Dec 1727 [? i *no detail in entry* 22 Oct 1727 Alton]
(educated at Uttoxeter under Mr Blaiden)
(aged 17, admitted pensioner at St John's, Cambridge) 6 Jun 1687 [VENN]
(matriculated) 1688
(B.A.) 1690.1
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 11 Jun 1693
(Vicar, Alton, Staffs) 12 Jun 1693-d
- (presented by George Rodney Bridges of Avington, Hants Esquire p1649-1714 *pro* his wife Anna Maria 2nd dau of Robert Brudenell 2nd Earl of Cardigan 1607-1703 widow of Francis Talbot 11th Earl of Shrewsbury c1624-1668)
- (admitted) 12 Jun 1693
(Parochial Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 6 Apr 1705-?d
- (appointed) 6 Apr 1705
(Parochial Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 6 Apr 1705-?d
- (appointed) 6 Apr 1705
chn: William Milward c 16 Nov 1696 Alton; i 30 Nov 1696 Alton
Frances Milward c 16 Mar 1697.8 Alton
Solomon Milward c 20 Feb 1701.2 Alton **[SCD]**

►Solomon Milward 1702-1744 **?1727-1744**
c 20 Feb 1701.2 Alton *son of John Milward c1670-1727* ***[SCD]*** *and Mary (-----)*
m 25 Jul 1729 Alton: Sarah Bird
i *Millward Solomon Vicr*. 6 May 1744 Alton
(admitted sizar at Emmanuel, Cambridge) 29 Apr 1721 [VENN]
(matriculated) 1721
(B.A.) 1724.5
(ordained priest by Norwich) 28 Jan 1727
(Vicar, Alton, Staffs) 16 Dec 1727-d
- (presented by John Wheeler armiger)
- (instituted) 16 Dec 1727
- (appointed) 29 Jan 1728
(Perpetual Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs) ?1727-d
- (appointed) ?1727
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) ?1727-d
- (appointed) ?1727

►John Daintry (Vicar of Leek, Staffs) c1698-1758 **1744-1738**
b c1698 *son of Brian Daintry of Stafford*
d a26 Dec 1758
(educated at Birmingham under Mr Perkinson)
(aged 22, admitted sizar at Trinity, Cambridge) 7 Jun 1720 [VENN]

(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 26 OR 27 May 1722
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 23 May OR 9 Jun 1723
(Stipendiary Curate, Ilam, Staffs)
- (appointed) 10 Jun 1723
(Perpetual Curate, Endon, Staffs) 25 Jul 1724-a16 Jan 1738
- (appointed) 25 Jul 1724
(matriculated) 1724.5
(LL.B.) 1726
(Head Master, Uttoxeter Alleyne's Grammar School, Staffs)
- (had a pupil Thomas Goodwin) a1737 [VENN]
- (left office) a28 Sep 1738
(Vicar, Leek St Edward, Staffs) 16 Sep 1737-d
- (presented by George Parker 2nd Earl of Macclesfield c1697-1764)
- (subscribed on appointment) 16 Sep 1737
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 4 Oct 1744-d
- (presented by George Parker 2nd Earl of Macclesfield c1697-1764)
- (subscribed on appointment) 4 Oct 1744

►Francis Ward (Perpetual Curate of Croxden, Staffs) 1731-1783 **1758-1783**
b 13 Aug 1731 *5th son of Michael Ward (Rector of Leigh, Staffs) 1681-1744* ***[SCD]*** *and (his 2nd wife) Sarah dau of John Spateman (Rector of Yoxall, Staffs)* c1653-1728 **[SCD]**
m 23 Dec 1754 Alton: Margaret 1st dau of Robert Bill of "Farley Hall", Farley in Alton, Staffs "gentleman" c1688-.... and Lydia dau of Robert Hurst of Cheadle Grange; d 18 Apr 1780
d 10 May 1783
(ordained deacon by Lichfield to title of "Alveton", Staffs) 25 Jun 1758
(Stipendiary Curate, Alton, Staffs)
- (appointed) 26 Jun 1758
(as literate, ordained priest by Lichfield) 24 Dec 1758
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 26 Dec 1758-d
- (presented by Thomas Parker [3rd Earl of Macclesfield] 1723-1795)
- (licensed) 26 Dec 1758
(Rector, Stanford, Notts)
[SIMMS] [BLG 1914]
chn: John Ward b 30 Jun 1756
Thomas Ward b 12 Apr 1759
Robert Edward Ward b 19 Dec 1762

►Joseph Clowes (Vicar of High Offley, Staffs) ?1746-1812 **1783-1812**
[? c 9 Feb 1745.6 Uttoxeter *son of Joseph Clowes and Grace (-----)]*
d a28 Apr 1812
(admitted pensioner at Clare Hall, Cambridge) 20 Mar 1762 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1763
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 18 Sep 1768
(LL.B.) 1768
(Stipendiary Curate, Sudbury, Derbys) 19 Sep 1768
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 23 Sep 1770
(Perpetual Curate, Rocester, Staffs) 9 Aug 1776-d
- (presented by John Harvey Esquire & Sarah Harvey)
- (licensed) 9 Aug 1776
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 1783-d
- (presented by Thomas Parker 3rd Earl of Macclesfield 1723-1795)
(Vicar, Tutbury, Staffs) 29 Jun 1785-d
- (presented by William Cavendish 5th Duke of Devonshire 1748-1811)
- (instituted) 29 Jun 1785
(Vicar, High Offley, Staffs) 1 Apr 1786-d
- (presented by William Vyse (Canon Res. of Lichfield) 1742-1816 *qua* Prebendary of Lichfield Flixton & Offley)
- (instituted) 1 Apr 1786

The Rev. Joseph Clowes was the next vicar, but he resided altogether at Uttoxeter; and the duty was performed by a curate until his decease. [Mosley TUTBURY]

►Charles Benjamin Charlewood c1770-1842 **1812-1816**
b c1770 *son of Charles B. Charlewood of Kensington, Middx armiger*
m Jane dau of John Ferrand of Barnard Castle, Durhams and Sarah (Dale); b Sep 1775
d 13 Dec 1842 Cheadle RD
(aged 18, matriculated from Trinity, Oxford) 21 Oct 1788 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1792
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 2 Feb 1794
(Stipendiary Curate, Checkley, Staffs)
- (licensed) 3 Feb 1794
(ordained priest by Lichfield, to title of Caverswall) 9 Sep 1804
(Stipendiary Curate, Caverswall, Staffs)
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 10 Jul 1812-a23 May 1816
- (presented by George Parker 4th Earl of Macclesfield 1755-1842)
- (licensed) 10 Jul 1812
- (resigned) a31 Dec 1816
(Stipendiary Curate, Dilhorne, Staffs)
- (licensed "permitted to reside at Oak Hill not more than 4 miles distant") 11 Jul 1816
chn: Charles Benjamin Charlewood b 4 Apr 1796; d 14 Jun 1817
Sarah Charlewood m Charles Martin (grandson of 3rd Duke of Athol)

►Walter Eddowes 1792-a1818 **1816-1818**
b 4 Dec 1791; c 7 Jan 1792 Kingsley, Staffs *son of William Eddowes (Vicar of Caverswall, Staffs) 1759-1824* ***[SCD]*** *and Elizabeth (Carrington)*
d a1 May 1818
(educated at Ashbourn)
(admitted sizar at St John's, Cambridge) 27 Feb 1810 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1810
(B.A.) 1814
(ordained deacon by Lichfield to title of Bradley & Croxden) 21 May 1815
(Stipendiary Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors & Croxden, Staffs)
- (licensed) 21 May 1815 & 9 Jun 1816
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 31 Dec 1816-d
- (presented by George Parker 4th Earl of Macclesfield 1755-1842)
- (licensed) 31 Dec 1816

►William Higton (P.C. of Croxden, Staffs) c1792-?1869 **1818-1863**
b c1792 Lancs
m Ellen S. -----; (aged 60, b Newcastle under Lyme, Staffs) 1861 C
[? d *aged 77* cNov 1869 Newark, Lincs]
(admitted sizar at St John's, Cambridge) 20 Dec 1810 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1811
(re-admitted sizar at St John's, Cambridge) 12 Nov 1814
(B.A.) 1815
(M.A.) 1818
(ordained deacon by Chester) 18 Sep 1814
(ordained priest) 24 Sep 1815
(Stipendiary Curate, Bury, Lancs) 1815
(Perpetual Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 1818-?1863
- (presented by George Parker 4th Earl of Macclesfield 1755-1842)
- (licensed) 1 May 1818
- (signed return regarding education of the poor) [PARL (1818)]
(Stipendiary Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs)
- (licensed, "permitted to live at Alveton, within 1 mile, there being no parsonage house") 15 Jun 1819
(Stipendiary Curate, Checkley, Staffs)
- (licensed, "He is also incumbent of Croxden which stipend John Barton Philips Esquire of the parish of Checkley hath given his bond ... for securing the due payment of the same...") 18 Mar 1825
(Perpetual Curate, Tean, Staffs) 1843-?1857
(aged 70, b Manchester, Lancs of North Meols, Lancs "Perpetual Curate of Croxden Manchr[sic]") 1861 C
(of Southport, Lancs) 1865

►Edward Whieldon 1824-1886 **?1863-1886**
c 27 Sep 1824 ----- *1st son of Edward Whieldon (Perpetual Curate of Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 1787-1859* ***[SCD]*** *and Mary dau of John Bill of Farley Hall, Staffs*
m 6 Dec 1864 Mary Harriet eldest dau of William Sandford (Rector of Newport, Salop); b c1823; d *aged 74* 10 Mar 1897; i Cheadle; M.I. [below]
d *aged 61* 1 Sep 1886 Hales Hall; i Cheadle; M.I. [below]
(educated at Shrewsbury under Dr Kennedy)
(admitted pensioner at St John's, Cambridge) 15 Nov 1842 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1843
(B.A.) 1847
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1847
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1848
(Stipendiary Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 1848-59
(succeeded to Hales Hall) 1859
(Perpetual Curate/Vicar, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 1859-d
- (presented by Earl of Shrewsbury) [HUTCHINSON (1893) 52]
(M.A.) 1850
(Stipendiary Curate, Croxden, Staffs) ....-?1863
- (in office) 1865
(Vicar, Croxden, Staffs) ?1863-d
[SIMMS*]

(Cheadle) Rev Edward Whieldon M.A. eldest son of Mary & Edward, who was for 27 years, Vicar of Bradley in the Moors, and 23 Years Vicar of Croxden Died 1 Sept 1886, 61; Mary Harriet, 10 Mar 1897, 74

►Edward Philips 1832-1921 **1888-1913**
b 25 Dec 1832 *2nd son of Robert Philips of Heybridge, Staffs 1794-1853 and Laetitia youngest dau of William Hibbert of Hare Hill, Cheshire*
m 1869 Emily dau of George Mather of Huntley Hall, Staffs clerk; d 1929; M.I. (Hollington)
d *aged 88* cMay 1921 Cheadle RD; M.I. (Hollington)
(matriculated from St John's College, Oxford) 30 Jun 1856 [FOSTER]
(B.A.) 1863
(M.A.) 1863
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1864
(Stipendiary Curate, Rostherne, Cheshire) 1864-7
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1867
(Stipendiary Curate, Checkley-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1867-78
(Rector, Checkley-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1878-1909
(Vicar, Croxden, Staffs) 1888-1913
(Proctor in Convocation, Lichfield) 1892-1900 1907-10
(Rural Dean, Uttoxeter, Staffs) 1901-9
(in retirement of "The Long Close", Hollington, Staffs)
[BLG 1914]
chn: George William Philips b 1873 **[SCD]**
Hugh Robert Philips b 1876; m Apr 1913 Mary dau of Sir Henry Villiers Lister K.C.M.G.; (Vicar of Latton, Wilts) b 1876 ;
Frederic James Philips b 1878
Edward Mark Philips b 1879
Harry Vaughan Philips b 1881; m 4 Oct 1911 Marjorie Barabel Ruth dau of Sir Lewis Mclver Baronet
Herbert Nathaniel Philips b 1886
Ralph Oswald Philips b 1893
Caroline Francis Philips m 1893 Frank Morrison Seafield Grant (4th son of John Grant of Glenmoriston)
Alice Laetitia Philips
Margaret Ellen Philips m 1896 Samuel Janson Lloyd (son of Samuel Lloyd of Farm)
Dorothy Mary Philips
Katherina Ellen Philips m 22 Jun 1907 Harry Chandos Elletson of Parrox Hall Lancs Emily Josephine Maude Philips

---

►**Ernest Deacon c1872-....** **1913-1924**
(at University College, Durham)
(B.A.) 1895
(ordained deacon by Rochester) 1896
(Stipendiary Curate, Battersea Park St Saviour) 1896-1901
(ordained priest by Rochester) 1897
(Stipendiary Curate, Ellastone-cum-Stanton, Staffs) 1901-11
(Stipendiary Curate, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1911-3
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1913-24
(Vicar, Hartshill, Staffs) 1924-....

►**Robert Moorhouse Clark 1872-1935** **1924-1935**
b cMay 1872 Helmsley RD, Yorks NR
d *aged 63* 1935 Uttoxeter RD
(at Lincoln College, Oxford)
(Scholar)
(B.A.) 1895
(Assistant Master, Denstone College) 1895-1915
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1896
(M.A.) 1898
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1898
(licensed to preach in the Diocese of Lichfield) 1899-1906
(Stipendiary Curate, in charge, Bradley-in-the-Moors, Staffs) 1899-1906
(Stipendiary Curate, Tunstall Christ Church, Staffs) 1915-7
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1924-d

►**William George Booth c1889-....** **1936-1941**
(at Exeter College, Oxford)
(B.A.) 1912
(at Cuddesdon Theological College) 1912
(ordained deacon by Birmingham) 1913
(ordained priest by Birmingham) 1914
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1936-1941

►**William Gwynn Keyworth 1881-c1968** **1941-1951**
b cAug 1881 Wem RD, Salop
d c1968
(at Keble College, Oxford)
(B.A.) 1903
(at Leeds Clergy School) 1903
(M.A.) 1907
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1904
(Stipendiary Curate, Tunstall Christ Church, Staffs) 1904-10
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1906
(Stipendiary Curate, Walsall St Peter, Staffs) 1910-6
(Perpetual Curate, Beeston Hill Holy Spirit, Leeds) 1916-9
(Stipendiary Curate, Brompton Ralph, Soms) 1919-21
(Vicar, Leek All Saints, Staffs) 1921-41
(Rural Dean, Leek, Staffs) 1933-41
(Proctor in Convocation, Lichfield) 1934-45
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1941-51
(Prebendary, Lichfield Bobenhull) 1940-64
(Rural Dean, Uttoxeter, Staffs) 1946-51
(permission to officiate at Wem, Salop) 1951-4
(Prebendary Emeritus, Lichfield) 1964-
(in retirement of "Cuttlestone House", Penkridge, Staffs) 1965

►**Richard John Taylor 1921-....** **1952-1957**
b 1921
(at Kelham Theological College)
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1945

(Stipendiary Curate, Tunstall Christ Church, Staffs) 1945-8
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1946
(Stipendiary Curate, Uttoxeter -----, Staffs) 1948-52
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1952-7
(Vicar, Short Heath, Warwicks) 1957-68
(Rector, Edgmond, Salop) 1968-....

►Evan David Morris c1929-.... **1957-1961**
(at St David's College, Lampeter)
(B.A.) 1950
(at St Stephen's House, Oxford) 1952
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1954
(Stipendiary Curate, Leek -----, Staffs) 1954-7
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1955
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1957-61
(Vicar, Wolverhampton All Saints, Staffs) 1961-6

►John Henry Thompson 1903-?1987 **1963-1970**
b [? 23 Nov] 1903
[? d *aged 83* Apr 1987 Stafford RD]
(at St Catherine's College, Oxford)
(B.A.) 1932
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1933
(Stipendiary Curate, Cheadle, Staffs) 1933-6
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1934
(Vicar, Kingswinford St Mary, Staffs) 1939-46
(M.A.) 1944
(Vicar, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1963-70
(retired) 1970

►William Ewart Minors 1905-1979 **1972-1974**
b 18 Aug 1905 [BMD]
d 1979 Stroud RD, Glos
(at Lichfield Theological College) 1953
(ordained deacon by Truro) 1954
(ordained priest by Truro) 1955
(Vicar, Luke St Leek, Staffs) 1963-6
(Vicar, Denstone, Staffs) 1966-74
(Priest-in-charge, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1972-4

►Thomas Eric Rastall 1919-.... **1974-1978**
b 1919
(at St Aidan's Theological College) 1962
(ordained deacon by Shrewsbury *pro* Lichfield) 1963
(ordained priest by Stafford *pro* Lichfield) 1964
(Stipendiary Curate, Leek St Luke, Staffs) 1964-7
(Vicar, Brown Edge, Staffs) 1967-74
(Vicar, Denstone, Staffs) 1974-81
(Priest-in-charge, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1974-8
(Priest-in-charge, Ellastone, Staffs) 1978-81
(Vicar, Denstone-cum-Ellastone & Stanton, Staffs) 1981-91
(Rural Dean, Uttoxeter, Staffs) 1987-91
(Prebendary, Lichfield -----) 1989-91
(retired) 1991

►Arthur Stanley Towlson 1920-2000 **1978-1985**
b 6 Aug 1920 [BMD]
d *aged 79* Jan 2000 Stafford RD
(at St John's College, Durham)
(L.Th.) 1948

(A.L.C.D.) 1948
(B.A.) 1949
(ordained deacon by Liverpool) 1950
(Stipendiary Curate, Southport All Saints, Lancs) 1950-2
(ordained priest by Liverpool) 1951
(priest Vicar Choral, Chancellor of Lichfield [? & Lichfield Alrewas]) 1952-7
(Rector, Ingestre-cum-Tixall, Staffs) 1953-7
(Chaplain to Earl of Shrewsbury) 1953-7
(Rector, Blithfield & Colton, Staffs) 1957-70
(Rector, Longton St James, Staffs) 1970-1
(license to officiate) 1971-8
(Priest-in-charge, Checkley & Priest-in-charge, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1978-85
(retired) 1985
(permission to officiate in the diocese of Lichfield) 1985-....

►Anthony Page Fothergill 1936-.... **1985-1987**
b 1936
(at Durham University)
(B.A.) 1960
(at Cranmer Hall, Durham)
(Dip.Th.) 1962
(ordained deacon) 1962
(Stipendiary Curate, Wolverhampton St Mark, Staffs) 1962-6
(ordained priest) 1963
(Stipendiary Curate, Chasetown, Staffs) 1966-9
(Vicar, Wellington St Luke, Staffs) 1969-77
(Team Vicar, Hanley Holy Evangelists, Staffs) 1977-8
(Vicar, Rocester, Staffs) 1978-87
(Priest-in-charge, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1985-7
(Rural Dean, Uttoxeter, Staffs) 1987
(retired) 1987
(Honorary Curate, Basildon-cum-Aldworth & Ashampstead, Oxon) 1997-....

VACANT **1987-1994**

Assistant Clergy

►Walter Eddowes 1792-a1818 **1815-1816**
(Stipendiary Curate, Bradley-in-the-Moors & Croxden, Staffs)
- (licensed) 21 May 1815 & 9 Jun 1816
[see above]

►Wynter Thomas Blathwayt 1825-1909 **1848-1850**
b 8 Sep 1825 *2nd son of George William Blathwayt of Dyrham Park, Glos (Lieutenant-Colonel) 1797-1871*
m1 1849 Frances Elizabeth 2nd dau of Robert Philips of Heybridge, Staffs 1794-1853; d 22 Feb 1869
m2 27 Jun 1876 Mary Sarah dau of George Hibbert Oates
d *aged 83* 20 Mar 1909
(educated at Bruton King's School)
(admitted pensioner at Trinity, Cambridge) 11 May 1843 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1843
(B.A.) 1848
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1848
(Stipendiary Curate, Tean & Croxden, Staffs) 1848-50
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1849
(Stipendiary Curate, Fisherton-Delamere, Wilts) 1850-4
(M.A.) 1851

(Stipendiary Curate, Langridge, Soms) 1854-61
(Rector, Langridge, Soms) 1861-7
(Stipendiary Curate, Leigh, Staffs) 1869-75
(Rector, Dyrham, Glos) 1875-1909
(succeeded his brother George William Blathwayt of Dyrham Park, Glos) 6 Oct 1899
[BLG 1914]
chn: Robert Wynter Blathwayt
George William Wynter Blathwayt
Wynter Edward Blathwayt

►Edward Whieldon 1824-1888 **....-?1863**
(Stipendiary Curate, Croxden, Staffs) ....-?1869
[see above]

►William Gibbons Mayne c1860-1928 **1885-1897**
b c1870 *son of William Gibbons Mayne clerk*
d 5 Jul 1928 Kingsley [The Times, 8 Jul 1928]
(educated at Cranleigh Surrey County)
(aged 19, admitted sizar at Magdalene, Cambridge) 15 Jul 1879 [VENN]
(matriculated) Michs 1879
(B.A.) 1884
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1885
(Stipendiary Curate, Checkley-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1885-97
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1886
(Stipendiary Curate, Croxden, Staffs) 1886-97
(M.A.) 1888
(Vicar, Tean, Staffs) 1897-1904
(Rector, Kingsley, Staffs) 1904-d
(Rural Dean, Cheadle, Staffs) 1909-d

►John Nicholas Knottesford Fortescue c1885-.... **1908-1910**
b c1885 [X BMD]
(at King's College, London) 1897
(A.N.I.M.E) 1901
(at Lichfield Theological College) 1908
(ordained deacon by Lichfield) 1908
(Stipendiary Curate, Checkley-cum-Hollington & Croxden, Staffs) 1908-10
(ordained priest by Lichfield) 1910
(Stipendiary Curate, Sutton Courtenary-cum-Appleford, Berks) 1910-3
(Vicar, Cauldon & Waterfall, Staffs) 1913-6
(Vicar, Studley, Warwicks) 1916

►Ernest Deacon c1872-.... **1911-1913**
(Stipendiary Curate, Croxden-cum-Hollington, Staffs) 1911-3
[see above]

►Eric John George 1878-.... **1926-1929**
b 7 Oct 1878 Ullenhall, Warwicks *son of John George (Vicar of Cherry Hinton St John, Cambs)*
(educated at Clifton College)
(admitted pensioner at Trinity, Cambridge) 25 Jun 1898
(matriculated) Michs 1898
(B.A.) 1901
(M.A.) 1905
(ordained deacon by Bristol) 1907
(Stipendiary Curate, Bedminster St Paul, Soms) 1907-9
(Stipendiary Curate, Bathampton) 1909-12
(ordained priest by Bath & Wells) 1911

(Stipendiary Curate, Wendy, Cambs) 1913-16
(permission to officiate in the dioceses of Ely & St Asaph) 1919-22
(Stipendiary Curate, Quarry Bank, Staffs) 1925-6
(Stipendiary Curate, Croxden-cum-Hollington, in charge, Hollington, Staffs) 1926-9
(Perpetual Curate, Garway, Herefs) 1929-37
(Vicar, Frampton, Dorset) 1937-8
(in retirement of Weston-super-Mare, Glos)